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United States Attorney General John Ashcroft
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
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Dear Mr. Attorney General:

I am writing this letter today to show my support for the settlement that was reached between Microsoft and the Department of Justice last November. The settlement will provide a necessary boost to our struggling economy, and also places restrictions on Microsoft that were necessary.

Microsoft has agreed to reveal internal information about their Windows operating system to competitors. They will also design future versions of Windows to provide a mechanism to make it easy for computer makers to promote non-Microsoft software within Windows. This will open the IT industry up to more competition, which will spur the economy.

All in all, the settlement is fair to all parties involved. Microsoft will still have the ability to lead the industry, but the industry will be much more competitive. I fully support this settlement.

Sincerely,

Pat Nye

cc: Representative William Delahunt